

# LIGHT ON!

## UNEARTHING QUEER PASTS IN SOCIALIST ARCHIVES

July 6–7, 2023

### THURSDAY, July 6

09:00 **TATIANA KLEPIKOVA, Regensburg**

Opening Remarks

#### PANEL 1

09:15 **DAN HEALEY, Oxford**

Queer Eyes in the Russian Archives

10:00 **RAMONA DIMA, Stavanger**

Communism and the Transitional 90s in Romania:  
Affects, Archives and Personal Experiences of Queer Women

11:00 **ALEKSANDAR RANKOVIĆ, Vienna**

On Experts and Lay(wo)men:  
Fragmentary Archives of Gay–Lesbian Activism in Yugoslavia

#### PANEL 2

14:00 **BLAŻEJ WARKOCKI, Poznań**

The Anthology of Polish Queer Literature: Archives, Sources, Method

15:00 **J.P. DER BOGHOSSIAN, Minnesota (via Zoom)**

Finding the Words: Creating the Queer Armenian Library

16:00 **ZOLTÁN CSEHY, Bratislava**

Writing Histories of Queer Hungarian Literature

#### PANEL 3

17:00 **KAMILA BUDROWSKA, Białystok**

Queerness and Literary Censorship in People's Republic of Poland

18:00 **SAMUEL CLOWES HUNEKE, George Mason U (via Zoom)**

Queer Activism and State Socialism in East Germany

### FRIDAY, July 7

#### PANEL 4

09:00 **LUKASZ SZULC, Manchester**

Cruising Archives: Wandering Around  
and the Data that Never Speaks for Itself

09:45 **JOÃO FLORÊNCIO, Exeter**

The Europe that Gay Porn Built, 1945–2000

10:45 **PHILIP GLEISSNER, Columbus, OH**

KVIR\_IZDAT: Queer Journal Archives,  
Digital Humanities, and Ethics

#### PANEL 5

13:30 **GEORGY MAMEDOV, Bishkek**

(De)Archiving the Context(s):  
Kollontai Commune  
and the Soviet Cosmic Imaginations

14:15 **MARIA BÜHNER, Leipzig**

Wandering the Archive of Feelings of Lesbians  
in the German Democratic Republic

#### PANEL 6

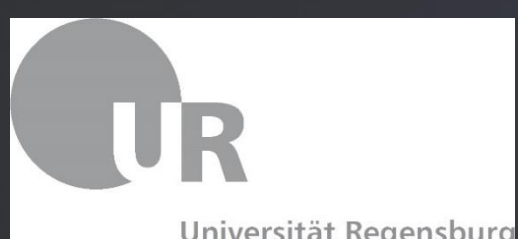
15:15 **ZSOMBOR BOBÁK, Berlin**

Comrade Celluloid:  
Filmic Methods Retrieving Queer Histories  
in Central and Eastern Europe

16:00 **ALEKSANDRA GAJOWY, Dublin**

“Occupy me, take place in me.” Desiring Encounters  
with Polish Lesbian Archives

16:45 Concluding remarks



#### Conference location:

Haus der Begegnung (Hinter d. Grieb 8, Regensburg)  
University of Regensburg

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